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In re Application of:)

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Application No.: New Continuation Application)
Of U.S. Application No. 09/453,419)

Parent Group Art Unit.: 1714

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Parent Examiner: P. SZEKELY

For: A METHOD OF MAKING A MULTI-PHASE AGGREGATE
USING MULTI-STAGE PROCESS

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. 1.97(b)**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached Form PTO-1449. Copies of these are of record in parent U.S. Patent Application No. 09/453,419 filed December 2, 1999, or U.S. Patent Application No. 09/375,044 filed August 16, 1999, or U.S. Patent Application No. 09/061,871 filed April 17, 1998 and have not been included here since, in accordance with M.P.E.P. § 609, it is not necessary to provide copies of those documents with this filing. Copies of documents not found in the above-identified applications are enclosed.

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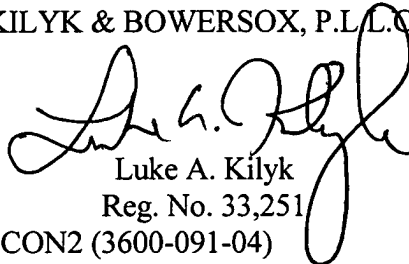
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